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Experiments With Guppy Foods

By Dr. E. C. & Associates

The following statistics are the results of an extensive series of test run by Drs. Larr, Johns and Tobins. To determine which kinds of foods would cause female guppies to drop the largest number of fry.

Each test group consisted of three pairs of adult guppies which were fed only the one kind of food- - and no others—during the 120 day test period. Each tank of test fish were fed three times a day: morning, noon and afternoon (4 pm.). The dry food tests consisted of alternate feedings of regular and flake food; the regular food being a 50/50 mix of two leading brands of dry food; the flake foods being a 50/50 mix of two leading brands of flake foods. (Since these tests were conducted. Another brand of dry food has been tested which fits between #5 and #6 for production of young.)

FOOD TEST NUMBER 6642 (LARR, JOHNS, ROBINS)

FOOD	TOTAL YOUNG	MALES	FEMALES
1: Earthworms, chopped	178	87	91
2: Earthworms, chopped frozen	164	81	83
3: Beef heart	143	64	79
4: Tubifex	141	61	80
5: Brine Shrimp, Hatched	101	48	53
6: Gordon's Formula (Liver)	79	39	40
7: Brine Shrimp, Adult Frozen	76	37	39
8: Dry Food, flake & regular	52	24	28
9: Freeze-dry (brine shrimp & tubifex)	40	23	17
10: Leaf lettuce	37	21	17
11: Peas	28	19	9
12: Farina	18	9	9
13: White worms	16	7	9
14: Oat Meal	12	5	7
15: Bran	9	5	4
16: Bread	6	5	1

All low producing pairs were given earthworms at the end of the above test and all quickly gave results as in # 1

17: Earthworms and dry food	194	93	101
18: Earthworms, beef heart and lettuce	221	107	113

In the testing of beef heart it was found that feeding this material, even every other day, prolonged the guppy's life from 25% to 50%.

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Filtration



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